

REMARKS

The Office Action noted that the illustration (Graph 1) on page 17 of the specification does not come within the exception under 37 C.F.R. § 1.58 (a). Thus, applicants are required to furnish drawings as per 37 C.F.R. § 1.81 by deleting the illustration from the specification, amend the text if necessary and provide a drawing marked as New Sheet under 37 C.F.R. § 1.1231 (d).

In order to comply, the applicants have deleted the illustration (Graph 1) on page 17, amended the specification on page 3 by providing reference to the drawing. Support can be found in the now deleted lines 16-17 on page 17 of the specification. The two paragraphs on page 17 and 18 were amended to provide proper reference to the deleted Graph (now called Figure 1). No new matter was added.

In addition, applicants include Figure 1 marked as New Sheet pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(d).

Conclusion

In view of the foregoing claim amendments and remarks, applicants believe that this application stands in condition for allowance with withdrawal of all grounds of rejection. If the Examiner has questions regarding the application or the contents of this response, the Examiner is invited to contact the Applicants' representative at the telephone number below.

Respectfully submitted,



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